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This letter is just a confirmation of the conversation the undersigned had with applicant's attorney, Mr. David L. Schaeffer, on June 26, 2007. The conversation is summarized by applicant's attorney in a letter entitled "LETTER ACCOMPANYING PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEES" filed on June 27, 2007. A Notice of Allowance was mailed in the present application on March 27, 2007.

Mr. Schaeffer called the undersigned on June 26, 2007 to indicate that a Supplemental Reissue Declaration was filed in the present application on June 13, 2007. As indicated by Mr. Schaeffer, page 2 of a letter entitled "TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION" filed with the Supplemental Reissue Declaration requested that the outstanding Notice of Allowance be withdrawn, prosecution of the merits reopened so that the Supplemental Reissue Declaration could be entered, and a new Notice of Allowance mailed.

As summarized in Mr. Schaeffer's letter filed June 27, 2007, in the conversation of June 26, 2007, the undersigned told Mr. Schaeffer that it was not necessary to withdraw the application from allowance, that the Supplemental Reissue Declaration filed June 13, 2007 would be accepted, and that Mr. Schaeffer should to go ahead and pay the issue fee due June 27, 2007.

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